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September Milk Production

Dairy herds in Michigan produced 790 million pounds of milk during September, up 6.9 percent from September 2013, according to the USDA, NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office. The daily rate per cow was 66.7 pounds, up 2 pounds from September 2013. The dairy herd was estimated at 395,000 head for September, up 14,000 head from a year earlier.

Milk production in the 23 major States during September totaled 15.5 billion pounds, up 4.1 percent from September 2013. The daily production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 60.1 pounds in September, 1.8 pounds above September 2013. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.59 million head, 78,000 head more than September 2013, and 4,000 head more than August 2014.

Milk production, September

Commodity	Michigan			23 Major States		
	2012	2013	2014	2012	2013	2014
Cows..... 1,000 Hd	374	381	395	8,477	8,508	8,586
Daily rate per cow..... Pounds	64.3	64.7	66.7	57.7	58.3	60.1
Production..... Mil lbs	722	739	790	14,677	14,874	15,485